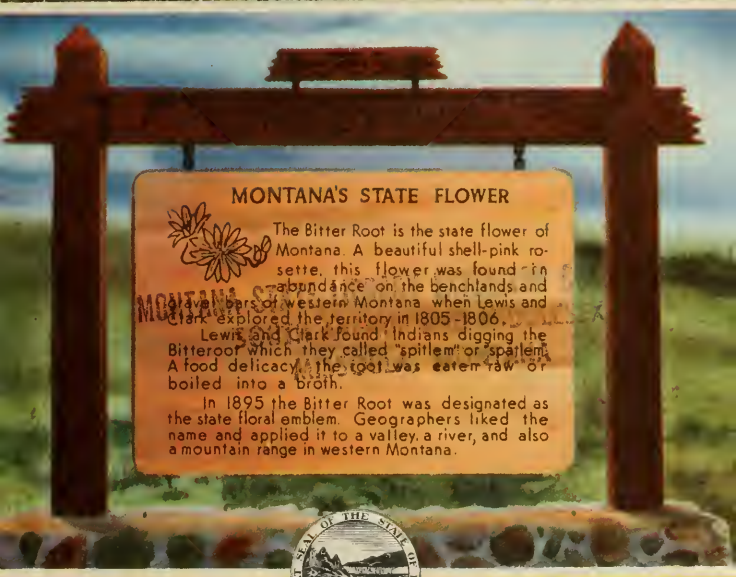
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MONTANA

Population 591,024 (1950 Census) Area 146,131 sq. miles
Capital Helena

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Whitefish 3268 B 2
Whitehall 929 F 4
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*White Sulphur Springs 1025 E 5
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Whitlash 20 A 5
*Wibaux 735 D 12
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Willard E 12
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Yaak 80 A 1
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POINTS OF INTEREST
(From West to East)

Along U. S. Highway 2: KOOTENAI CANYON and FALLS (B-1) Scenic drive along Kootenai river, near Troy.

LAKES DRIVE (B-2-1) Through magnificent stands of fir, pine, larch; past Thompson and McGregor lakes from Libby to Kalispell.

HUNGRY HORSE DAM (B-2) Hungry Horse dam is next to Hoover and Shasta in height (564 feet high), and fourth largest concrete dam in the world. Visit point.

GLACIER - WATERTON INTERNATIONAL PEACE PARK (A-2-3) Over 60 living glaciers, lakes and majestic mountains atop the Continental divide. Traversed by world-famous Going-to-the-Sun Highway.



PLAINS INDIAN MUSEUM (B-3) At Browning—outstanding Indian museum containing diorama of Indian life, and a fine collection of Indian weapons and clothing.

BEARS PAW BATTLEFIELD (B-7) 30 miles south of Chinook. Site of Nez Perce Chief Joseph's surrender after one of the last great Indian battles in 1877.

FORT PECK DAM AND LAKE (B-10) 18 miles southeast of Glasgow on Mont. 24 Largest earth fill dam in the world, backing up the Missouri river into a 175 mile long lake. Fishing. Eastern approach via Nashua.

Along U. S. 10-A: CABINET GORGE DAM (B-1) Hydro-electric dam one-half mile from Montana-Idaho border. Visit point.

THOMPSON FALLS (C-1) Hydro-electric dam at site of natural falls in Clarks Fork of Columbia River. Named for David Thompson, explorer and surveyor.

LARGEST SMOKE STACK (F-3) In the world, 585 feet high, at Anaconda smelter. Chain of lakes drive past Georgetown and Silver lakes.

Along U. S. 10: SMOKE JUMPERS of U. S. Forest Service headquarters at Missoula (D-2). Site of Montana University with Mount Sentinel on campus.

COPPER MINING at Butte (F-3), the "richest hill on earth." Known as the city that is a mile high and a mile deep; it has 2,000 miles of mine level workings and 5,200 miles of shaft workings honeycombed underneath.

LEWIS AND CLARK CAVERN STATE PARK (F-4) Located midway between Butte and Bozeman, this cavern is 3.2 miles off U. S. 10-S. Guided tours available at intervals through this largest limestone cavern in the Pacific Northwest. Scenic, open-air mile-long passage ended in stone entrance.

STATE CAPITOL BUILDING at Helena (E-4). This is on U. S. 10-N. Museum and state historical library. Early-day discovery of gold made in Last Chance Gulch.

GATEWAY TO YELLOWSTONE PARK through Bozeman (G-5) up Gallatin river canyon to West Yellowstone. Montana State college located at Bozeman.

GATEWAY TO YELLOWSTONE PARK through Livingston-Gardiner (G-6) by way of Yankee Jim canyon. Dude ranch country.

BOOTHILL CEMETERY (F-8) along Black Otter trail on the rimrocks overlooking Billings. Old Horr range rider stones, graves of Yellowstone Kelly, famous scout and Chief Black Otter. Old redoubts.

POMPEY'S PILLAR (F-8) An isolated rock 200 feet high on the bank of the Yellowstone river to the left going east. First climbed by Capt. William Clark July 25, 1806. Named for Pomp, Sacajawea's son.

RANGE RIDERS MUSEUM (E-11) at Miles City's western outskirts. Fine collection of relics of the days of the unfenced range. Historic Fort Keogh nearby.

BADLANDS (D-12) of Meco Size state park just east of Glendive. Other badlands found near Jordan (D-10) and Havre (B-7).

(From South to North)

Along U. S. 93: ST. MARY'S MISSION (E-2) Oldest mission in Montana, established in 1841 near Stevensville by Father DeSmet, Jesuit priest. Old Fort Owens nearby.



NATIONAL BISON RANGE (D-2) About 500 buffalo graze in an 18,000 acre preserve. Among them is an albino buffalo, regarded as sacred by the Indians.

MISSION MOUNTAINS (C-2) One of the many majestic mountain ranges to be found in Montana. At St Ignatius is Catholic mission with beautiful murals. East of Ronan is lofty Mount McDonald (9,800 feet altitude).

FLATHEAD LAKE (C-2) One of the largest bodies of fresh water west of the Mississippi, 30 miles long and 10 miles wide. Between Polson and Kalispell. Fishing and boating. Campgrounds at Goose Bay state park on west shore and Yellow Bay on east shore.

WHITEFISH LAKE (B-2) Famous for mackinaw trout fishing. All year-round vacationland. Skiing on Big Mountain. Summer operation of chair lift.

Along U. S. 91: BANNACK (G-3) 25 miles southwest of Dillon. First territorial capital of Montana, now a ghost gold mining camp. Museum of western relics at Dillon.

GATES OF THE MOUNTAINS (D-4) 20 miles northeast of Helena. Deep gorge of Missouri river. So-named by Lewis and Clark because of huge stone that seems to block river. Cruise boats available during summer.

GIANT SPRINGS (C-5) Phenomenal spring flowing 388,800,000 gallons of water every 24 hours—along river drive at Great Falls. Series of falls and hydro-electric plants along Missouri river.

CHARLIE RUSSELL STUDIO (C-5) Studio of famous cowboy artist 1217 Fourth Ave. North, Great Falls. Open from 2 to 8 p.m. July 1st to Sept. 1st.

Along U. S. 12: GRASSHOPPER GLACIER (G-6) 14 miles north by trail from Cooke City. Millions of grasshoppers frozen into the face of an 80-foot cliff of ice.

RED LODGE-COOKE CITY HIGHWAY (G-7) Most spectacular approach to Yellowstone National Park. Called the "high road." It reaches an elevation of almost 11,000 feet. Rugged mountain country, alpine flowers.

Along U. S. 87: CUSTER BATTLEFIELD NATIONAL CEMETERY (F-9) Site of Custer's famed Last Stand, near Crow Agency. Sandstone obelisk monument, 209 marble gravestones, markers. Gen. Custer and Crow Indian museum.

BIG SPRING (D-7) Near Lewistown. This spring discharges 62,700 gallons of water a minute, forming an excellent trout stream. Big Spring creek.

BIG HOLE BATTLEFIELD NATIONAL MONUMENT (F-2) Near Wisdom. Site of battle between Chief Joseph's Nez Perce Indians and U. S. soldiers on August 9, 1877. Rifle pits, bullet scarred trees, monuments.



VIRGINIA CITY (G-4) On Montana 34. Colorful gold mining camp up Alder Gulch that produced over $100,000,000 in gold. Now restored to 1865 vintage with stage station, saloons, blacksmith shop, first Montana newspaper, museum and other historic buildings.

ROBBERS ROOST (G-4) On Montana 34, between Sheridan and Virginia City. Large log structure that was early-day rendezvous for road agents.

MEDICINE ROCKS (F-12) On Montana 7 near Ekalaka. Indian ceremonial grounds. Described by Teddy Roosevelt as "fantastically beautiful."

MONTANA ROADS OPEN FOR WINTER TRAVEL



Modern maintenance equipment enables Montana to keep all primary roads (shown in red) open during winter months except for very short periods during or immediately after a severe storm. Inquiries should be made regarding local conditions during storms. Chains and a shovel are recommended.

All main highway passes are kept open during the winter. Passes that are closed to wheel traffic for several months are:

Red Lodge-Cooke City Highway to Yellowstone Park on U. S. 12. From 12 miles south of Red Lodge over Beartooth plateau.

Skalkaho pass on Montana 38 between Anaconda and Hamilton.

Gibbons pass on Montana 43 from 2 miles north of Wisdom to U. S. 93.

Logan pass in Glacier National park. Closed from approximately Oct. 15 to June 1.

Yellowstone National park roads subject to closure after Oct. 15 except for Gardiner—Cooke City via Mammoth which remains open year round.

As part of Montana's winter maintenance program, hills and curves are sanded. Reduced speeds are recommended for winter highway travel.

Montana's snow removal program is one of the finest.

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You Will See More in Montana



In majestic Montana you will discover an ideal vacationland. Here nights are cool and days are zestful with plenty of sunshine. There is no crowding. Nearly 6,000 miles of surfaced highways are waiting to lead you into this vast playland.

Montana offers a variety vacation program of fun and relaxation. Sight seeing tops the list. There are rodeos, dude ranches, Indian ceremonials, battlefields, bison ranges (above) and all kinds of outdoor recreational activities. Don't hurry through—It's a big state, take a day or two extra and really see the Land of Shining Mountains.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND SAFETY RULES

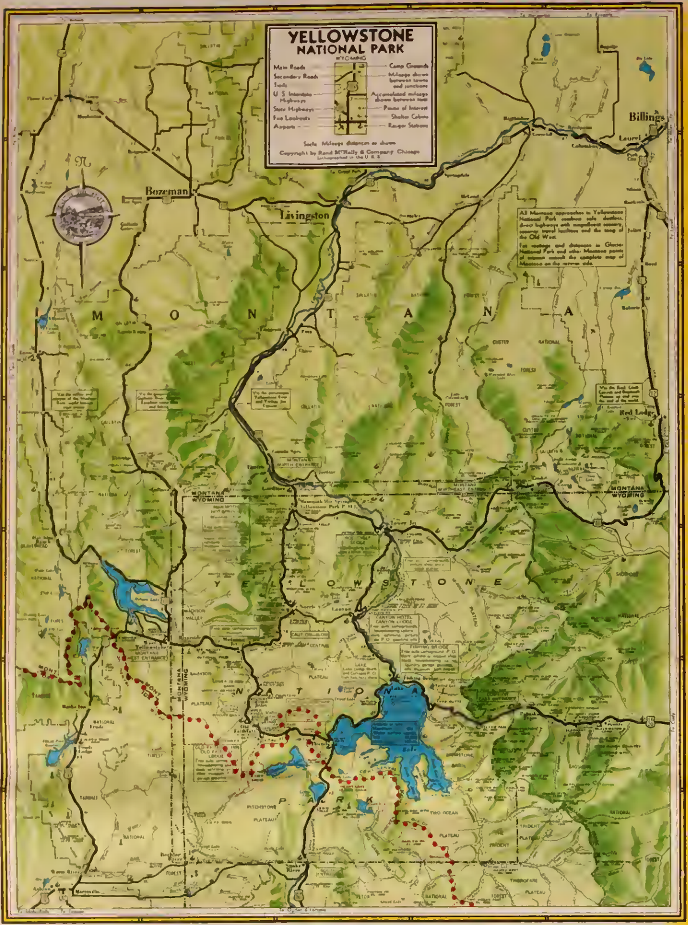
1. Montana speed limits: reasonable and prudent to existing conditions in the day time; 55 miles per hour during the hours when lights are required; except where zoned and posted for lower speeds. No truck shall be operated at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour.
2. Vehicles entering main highways from side road or drive must come to complete stop before entering highway and yield right-of-way to vehicles traveling main highway.
3. Vehicles must drive to right of center line at all times except when passing another car. Never pass on hills or curves. Be sure you can see far enough ahead to make a safe passing before you try to do so.
4. Proper signal must be given when passing another vehicle, changing direction, stopping or slowing down on the highway. Blow horn to warn the car ahead you are going to pass—Left turn, left hand and arm extended horizontally; Right turn, left hand and arm extended upward; Stop or Slow Down, left arm extended downward.
5. Observe and obey all warning signs, such as School Zone, Stop, Slow, Danger, Curve, etc. They are placed there at considerable expense for your protection.
6. Never drive at a speed greater than that at which you can stop in the clear road visible ahead. Slow down at night or when the road is wet or icy.
7. When meeting at night or passing from the rear, dim your lights. Don't be afraid to dim first (courtesy promotes safety).
8. Slow down when approaching any child, pedestrian, bicycle, livestock, parked car, or other obstruction on the highway. Be prepared for the unexpected.
9. Don't stop or park on the main traveled portion of the highway, especially on hills or curves. Pull out on the shoulder. It's safer for you and other cars.
10. Report all accidents resulting in death, personal injury or property damage of an apparent extent of $25.00 or more to the Highway Patrol.
11. Be careful. An alert, careful driver is the best insurance against all accidents.
12. PREVENT FOREST FIRES—USE YOUR ASH TRAY.



OLD FAITHFUL The world's most famous geyser is a top attraction in the largest and oldest of all national parks—Yellowstone. Three entrances to Yellowstone are by way of Montana at Cooke City, Gardiner and West Yellowstone. Within Yellowstone's forested plateau of 3472 square miles are 10,000 geysers and thermal leaks, paint pots, fossil forests, huge Yellowstone lake, colorful grand canyon of the Yellowstone, and one of the largest game sanctuaries in the country abounding in bear, deer, elk, moose and other wild animals.



THE "HIGH ROAD" Most spectacular entrance or exit of Yellowstone Park is the Red Lodge-Cooke City highway that follows one of the oldest Indian trails in the state. The Red Men called it "the path above the eagles" because it winds in three gigantic switchbacks up and over the Beartooth plateau at an elevation of 10,943 feet. From this top of the world highway may be seen the highest peaks of Montana, eternally snow-capped. Lakes are alongside and the road runs through a carpet of alpine flowers such as dryad, fireweed, Rocky Mountain laurel, columbine, daisies and asters.





LEWIS AND CLARK CAVERN A state park, this cavern is the largest in the Pacific Northwest. Beautifully lighted, it features two main rooms with multi-colored stalagmites, stalactites, clusterites, flowstone and other formations. Guided tours from May to November. The Cavern tour takes 1½ hours.



MISSOURI RIVER CANYON Between Helena and Great Falls U. S. Highway 91 winds along the Missouri river following an old Indian road. Walls of the canyon are mottled with tints of red, moss green and yellow, and weird formations of all shapes and sizes tower above the highway.



RANGE RIDER OF THE YELLOWSTONE Alongside Chief Black Otter Trail on the rimrocks above Billings is this statue, posed by Bill Hart, old-time western movie star. Other points of interest on the trail include Boothill cemetery, and graves of Chief Black Otter and Indian Scout Yellowstone Kelly.



FORT PECK DAM Largest earth fill dam in the world, Fort Peck has tamed the mighty Mo by impounding the Missouri for a distance of 175 miles. Nearly four miles long, the dam measures 21,026 feet in length with a height of 250 feet, and has a concrete spillway a mile long. Fort Peck lake has a shore line of 1600 miles and boasts a great variety of fine fishing.





GLACIER NATIONAL PARK Established as the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park, this mountain country is one of America's great playgrounds. Astride the Continental divide, it has over 60 living glaciers, 200 sparkling lakes, waterfalls by the score and wildlife of all kinds. Picture takers rave about Glacier's towering mountains and masses of alpine flowers. Going-to-the-Sun highway from Lake McDonald to St. Mary's lake is one of the most scenic roads to be found anywhere.



RICHEST HILL ON EARTH By yielding over four billion dollars worth of metallic and non-metallic products this hill at Butte rightfully has earned its title. Copper, zinc, lead and manganese are its principal metals. Known as the mile high and mile deep city, Butte is built at a mile high altitude in a bend of the Continental divide, and its mine workings extend to a depth of a mile below.



FLATHEAD LAKE Located in northwestern Montana, this is one of the largest bodies of fresh water west of the Great Lakes. It is 30 miles long, 10 miles wide and has an average depth of 220 feet. Black-topped highways encircle the lake. On the east shore are sweet cherry orchards and from the west shore can be seen the beautiful Mission and Swan mountain ranges. Boating and fishing for silver salmon, Dolly Varden trout, whitefish and bass are popular pastimes in this lake region.



LAKE COMO Located in the Bitterroot valley, this is a typical Montana mountain lake. Altogether there are over 1,200 lakes in the Treasure State and they provide any angler with a diversity of fine fishing.



OLD WEST REVIVED In Virginia City, they've turned the clock back almost 90 years—back to the roaring 1860's when this gold rush camp was Montana's second territorial capitol. All around are evidences of the fierce struggle between Vigilantes and Road Agents—Boot Hill cemetery, Hangmans House. Among the old buildings restored are Wells, Fargo Express Station, Bale of Hay saloon, and Old Stone Barn Playhouse.

APPROXIMATE MILEAGE

	Anaconda	Billings	Bozeman	Butte	Glasgow	Gt Falls	Havre	Helena	Kalispell	Lewistown	Livingston	Miles City	Missoula
Atlanta Ga.	2167	1907	2077	2273	2049	2243	2355	2150	2387	2032	2023	1837	2267
Chicago Ill.	1532	1269	1411	1507	1266	1442	1427	1470	1672	1335	1385	1120	1588
Dallas Texas	1534	1271	1413	1509	1579	1507	1619	1619	1737	1400	1387	1347	1881
Denver Colo.	854	595	737	833	933	831	943	838	1061	724	711	673	955
New Orleans La.	2142	1879	2021	2117	2187	2135	2227	2122	2345	2008	1995	1955	2239
New York N. Y.	2361	2098	2240	2336	2095	2271	2256	2299	2501	2164	2214	1949	2417
Salt Lake City Utah	465	527	404	448	862	589	701	496	683	558	422	687	563
San Francisco Calif.	1090	1273	1131	1074	1506	1233	1345	1140	1308	1287	1157	1422	1188
Seattle Wash.	611	862	720	626	919	712	758	819	493	810	746	969	502
St. Louis Mo.	1592	[illegible]	1474	1570	1474	1564	1635	1575	1794	1457	1448	1242	1692
Washington D. C.	2223	1960	2102	2198	1957	2133	2118	2181	2363	2026	2076	1811	2279
Edmonton	694	765	717	682	706	529	545	618	501	636	702	851	621
Dawson Cr.	1170	1241	1193	1156	1182	1005	1021	1092	977	1112	1178	1327	1097
White Horse	2084	2135	2087	2052	2076	1899	1915	1986	1871	2006	2072	2221	1991
Fairbanks	2687	2758	2710	2675	2699	2522	2538	2609	2494	2629	2695	2844	2614

MONTANA MILEAGE TABLE

The mileage between two points is found at the intersection of the vertical column of figures under the name of one point, and the horizontal line of figures opposite the name of the other point.

All distances are computed by way of trunk lines. Some may be materially shortened by use of secondary or county roads. Inquire locally.

THE ALASKA HIGHWAY

The Alaska Highway, extending from Dawson Creek, B. C. to Fairbanks, Alaska, is 1,523 miles long and is kept open to traffic throughout the year. Permits to travel on the highway are not required, but arrangements for accommodations should be made in advance.

Restrictions on travel may be made on short notice at any time by highway maintenance authorities because of flood conditions or damage to bridges.

Roadside facilities, overnight accommodations, and automobile repairs and services are limited along the highway. Among centers offering the most complete overnight accommodations are Dawson Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Nelson, Lower Post, Teslin, Whitehorse, Burwash Landing, and Fairbanks. Public camp-grounds are maintained at several locations in the Yukon Territory for the convenience of travelers equipped for camping and carrying their own food and supplies.

Automobiles should be in first class mechanical condition, with travelers carrying sufficient car tools, spare tires, tubes, etc., for their own needs. Assistance in matters of automotive repairs, food and shelter cannot be expected from Northwest Highway System maintenance camps.

The use of trailers and cabin trailers is permissible on the highway but heavy trailers in conjunction with passenger cars is not recommended, owing to difficulties which might be encountered on some of the longer grades.

U. S. citizens passing through Canada to Alaska do not require passports, and as a general rule will experience no difficulty or delay at the border. They should, however, possess ample means of personal identification.



WELCOME . . . *to the*
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Governor J. Hugo Aronson

As governor of Montana, the Treasure State, I am pleased to extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our state. It is our hope that this map will aid you in the enjoyment of the many scenic, historic and recreational attractions to be found in the Land of Shining Mountains.

Montana is a western state with western atmosphere. Our brand of entertainment includes rodeos, Indian ceremonials, dude ranch life, sight seeing and plenty of hunting and fishing.

Our far-reaching system of black topped highways will lead you to the many vacation areas. In addition, Montana maintains nine port of entry greeter stations to supply the tourist with needed information, and the state's 109 roadside historical markers will give you Montana's history in capsule form.

Enjoy yourself while in Montana and come back again often.

Sincerely yours,

J. Hugo Aronson

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